

United States Department of State

Office of Foreign Missions Washington, D.C. 20520

NOTICE

New Expiration Date for Tax-Exemption Cards

Due to unavoidable delays, the Office of Foreign Missions' (OFM) Tax-Exempt Credit/Debit Card (TECD) Program will not be ready for full implementation by September 30, 2006. Therefore, all tax-exemption cards that are currently schedule to expire in September will be automatically renewed and reissued with an expiration date of **December 31, 2007**. All newly issued cards will also expire on or before this date.

Please note, that OFM will not require the submission of a new application to facilitate the renewal of cards scheduled to expire on September 30, 2006.

Once these cards are produced, missions and organizations will receive further instructions from OFM on how and when these cards will be distributed. If there are questions or concerns with this process, please contact OFM's Tax and Customs Programs by telephone at (202) 895-3500, extension 2 or by electronic mail at ofmtaxcustoms@state.gov.

March 17, 2006